[31st March? Well, that's what it said...]

[ANARTS - Australian National Amateur Radio Teletype Society]

ANARTS News Bulletin 902 31ST MARCH 1996

Morse dashed by Lt. Aaron Matzkows

(extract from Navy News, v.39, no. 5 March 25 1996)

Cw Morse has retired from the Navy.

Morse joined the RAN on July 10 1911, the date of the Navy's foundation and served conscientiously for 85 years, through both world wars, Korea, the Malayan confrontation and Vietnam - and everywhere the Navy has been.

A signal has recognised that the use of Morse Cde formally ceased in the RAN on January 31, but stated -- that residual Morse skills will remain in the RO (radio operator) category fo many years.

The signal continued -- The requirement for visual morse (flashing light) remains and will continue to be taught on the small ships RO course.

Cw Morse has had a long career in the RAN.

Its cessation is a recognition that Morse can no longer provide the data rates required by modern communication systems and that it is a labour and training intensive skill.

Nevertheless Morse techniques have served the RAN with distinction through two world wars and served regional conflicts.

provided by Bill VK2EG

---

international Marconi Day station

The special event station IY0TCI will participate in the 9th ***INTERNATIONAL MARCONI DAY***, APRIL 20 1996, at Civitavecchia (Rome).

The local A.R.I. team will operate all band, all mode, to celebrate Guglielmo Marconi's birth date. (Bologna, Apr 15 1874).

The official I.M.D. list counts about 50 special stations from Marconi sites around the world: EU, AF, NA, SA, OC.

There is also a relative IMD award with more categories, by the C.R.A.C.; award manager is G0PGX. The classes and the requested contacts with the different IMD groups:

MIXED: 15 QSOs, MIX MOBILE: 12; CW ONLY: 15; DIGITAL ONLY: 15 MIX MULTIOP: 20 MIX SWL: 15 CW SWL: 10; MIX SWL HRD/WKD: 15.

Award cost: 10 U.S. dollars, 4 U.K. pounds or 12 I.R.C's.

The required number of contacts must be worked in the same 24 hours period.

We hope to receive many messages by packet too, during IMD celebretion among the students and teachers of the technical high school "Guglielmo Marconi" in Civitavecchia, saturday in the morning.

Packet address: IY0TCI@IK0EIA-8.ILAZ.ITA.EU

QSL MANAGER: I0KHP, Pat, with our special card: *** Marconi's photo ***

That the father of radio dedicated to the radio club of Civitavecchia, 1927 where he carried out his first UHF experiments, at TORRE CHIARUCCIA, till 1937.

Qsl via direct or bureau.

Best 73 and see you in I.M.D.

I0KHP coordinator,IK0L

WEEKLY SOLAR AND GEOPHYSICAL REPORT

(29 MARCH - 04 APRIL)

DATED 5TH APRIL 1996

SUMMARY

Date	29	30	31	01	02	03	04
10cm	71	70	70	68	71	71	70
A	8	6	6	10	4	7 (10 ESTIMATED)	
T	-10	-5	2	2	-1	8	18

SOLAR ACTIVITY WAS VERY LOW ALL WEEK.

THE GEOMAGNETIC FIELD AT LEARMONTH W.A. WAS QUIET 31ST, 2ND AND 3RD APRIL, QUIET WITH AN ACTIVE PERIOD FROM 1300 TO 1700UT, AND QUIET TO UNSETTLED ON 29TH TO 30TH MARCH, AND 1ST APRIL.

MAXIMUM USABLE FREQUENCIES AT SYDNEY WERE DEPRESSED TO 30 PER CENT TO 1100 UT ON 29TH MARCH AND AGAIN ON 30TH MARCH, THEN BECOMING ENHANCED TO 15 PER CENT LATER IN THAT DAY. THIS PATTERN WAS AGAIN FOLLOWED FOR 31ST AND 1ST APRIL, WUTH FREQUENCIES DEPRESSED TO 15 PER CENT EARLY IN THE UT DAY, AND ENHANCED TO 30 PER CENT LATER IN THE DAY. FREQUENCIES WERE NEAR PREDICTED MONTHLY VALUES 2ND TO 4TH APRIL.

FORECAST (05 APRIL - 11 APRIL)

SOLAR: VERY LOW

GEOMAGNETIC: UNSETTLED TO ACTIVE

FREQUENCIES: 5-20 PER CENT BELOW PREDICTED MONTHLY VALUES

COURTESY OF IPS RADIO AND SPACE SERVICES

VK2SG RTTY DXNOTES FOR WEEKENDING MAR 29TH 96 (BID RTDX0329)

Our thanks this week go to: ZS5S, W2JGR,WB2CJL, WX5L, AA5AU, K5KLA N5FG, K0BX,N4CC,AA4M, KA8ZPE, NB9F, PA0HVF, EA1ABM, F5PYI, DL5RBW, DL5ENJ, I5IGQ,I5KG,I1JQJ and the 425 DXgang, DJ3IW and the Central Europe DX Cluster Node DB0SPC the NJ0M Node of Minnesota and the IK5PWJ PacketCluster.

BANDPASS:
FRIDAY 22
1235-14088 EI5IF
1237-14084 9A8A
1338-14081 YL2DX
1627-14087 ES7FQ
1741-14083 PJ2MI
1856-14086 SV1CDN/3
1821-14084 Z21HD
1822-14088 S57X
2001-14084 V51GB

SATURDAY 23
0057-14086 CX9BAE
0626-14086 FK8FI
0800-14083 C94AI
0853-14082 CX9BAE
0856-14082 4Z5AV
0946-14081 ZP6CC
1057-14087 KE6GEM/5N6
1212-14081 UU2JWA
1258-14084 UT5DX
1238-21082 Z21HD
1302-14080 HA53HAM
1304-14083 UN5PR
1305-14087 AP2SD
1324-14083 9A17ST
1339-14087 OM3LU
1351-14081 A92GD Qsl via K1SE
1359-14081 RW6BK
1401-14087 ES7FQ
1637-14089 SU1ER
1647-14079 SP5GRM
1650-14082 CU1AC
1655-14081 LX1TO
1751-14083 OJ0/OH1VR Qsl via OH1VR
1822-14087 Z21HD
1910-14084 V51GB
2015-14082 CX7BF

SUNDAY 24
0039-14086 UA0SMF
0134-14080 CX8BAE
1146-14083 9Q5PL
1210-14086 HL1MAD
1245-14085 YB3AQF
1256-14081 YV5BK
1257-14084 ES7FQ
1301-14085 UR5EDU

1252-14087 YB3AQF
1255-14088 EW8OF
1323-14081 A92GD
1329-14087 AP2TJ
1328-14085 OK2BXW
1329-14078 VP2EBR
1333-14085 ES7FQ
1334-14086 UA2AO
1438-14085 V31AR
1524-14089 IS0IIT
2159-14087 S01M
2238-14086 KG4MN
2335-14086 HK3MRU
2337-14078 CX9BAE

MONDAY 25
0103-14085 KG4MN
0157-14080 CX7BAE

TUESDAY 26
0221-14085 KG4MN
1605-14082 OD5PL
1706-14084 A41KD
1848-14081 ET3SID
1850-14085 C94AI
2051-14082 CX9BAE
2058-14082 EA9AZ
2131-14080 CP1PY
2306-14082 J56DY

WEDNESDAY 27
1335-14085 ES7FQ
1542-14081 YL2DX
1601-14084 J56DY
1727-14085 Z21HD
1806-14082 CN8BA
1821-14081 ZS1CM

THURSDAY 28
0147-14080 KG4MN
1708-14079 J56DY
1713-14085 C94AI
1718-14085 Z21HD
1721-14067 5Z4FN Pactor

Notes of Interest:

ROTUMA, 3D2. Maurice I4MKN report that received qsl card from 3D2AA after he qsoed with him and on the qsl there the confirmation that the location is Lautoka Fiji (OC-016). On the card there is well specified that he is the 1st native license on Rotuma.

Peacefull and Happy Easter holidays to all readers.. keep listening and wish to find a new on the Easter egg.

The VK2SG RTTY DXNOTES are also available on Internet at reflectors dx@ve7tcp.ampr.org, an digital-dx@st.rim.or.jp. See also the OH2BUA WebCluster at URL
http://www.clinet.fi/tilde)~jukka/webcluster.html

For next week's bulletin send your bandpass to Bob, W2JGR at @ W5KSI.#NOLA.LA.USA.NA.

Gl de (DX2) Luciano, I5FLN AT ZS5S.ZAF.AF

ARLD017 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with info provided by Trey, WN4KKN, Scott, AA8SM, Cecil, NW8F, Richard, G0JFX/F5VCO, Jean Michel, F6AJA, Dick, K2UFT, Kiyoshi, AE4EZ, Tedd, KB8NW, Wayne, N7NG, the OPDX Bulletin, Chod, VP2ML, The DX Bulletin and Contest Corral from QST. Thanks to all.

CHRISTMAS ISLAND, VK9X. Martti, OH2BH, Leena, OH2BE, and Petri, OH2KNB, will sign VK9XM for five days starting April 6. QSL via JA1BK. The VK9XH Christmas Island and VK9CA Cocos Keeling DXpedition by Ken, AD4WF, has been cancelled.

MAURITANIA, 5T. Bernd, DK3LQ, hopes to be signing 5T5MB sometime in late March or early April.

CYPRUS, 5B. Work Frank, 5B4/DL8KWS, through April 10.

MADAGASCAR, 5R. Gerard, 5R8EN, is frequently on 7057 kHz, listening on 7240, around 1415z. He will work CW on request. He has also been spotted on 7006 kHz at 0345z. QSL via F6ARA.

SIERRA LEONE, 9L. Paul, 9L1PG, and Millie, 9L1MG, will be leaving 9L in mid-June. Paul will be spending time on 80 meter CW for those still needing Sierra Leone on that band. Millie frequently checks the 14226.5 net. QSL via NW8F.

MIDWAY ISLAND, KH4. NH6D/KH4 will be QRV for two weeks in April. This island will be abandoned by the military in 1997.

GRENADA, J3. Joe, WB8GEX will be on the air as J3K April 5 to 12 on 160 through 10 meters.

PIRATES COVE. Current operations of KG4AA and KG are apparently pirates.

COMING EVENTS

APRIL	6TH-7TH	EA WW RTTY CONTEST
	27TH-28TH	SP DX RTTY
MAY	11TH-12TH	VOLTA RTTY DX
JUNE	8TH-9TH	ANARTS WW DIGITAL CONTEST

Society information

The Society may be contacted at : PO Box 860, Crows Nest 2065 Australia, for such matters as membership and general enquiries. Enquiries can also be made by packet to the President(Col) VK2CTD at VK2DAA, or the Secretary (Pat) VK2JPA at VK2WI.

News items may be sent to Broadcast Officer PO Box 60 Blacktown 2148 Australia, or by packet to VK2JPA at VK2WI. Email address for the Broadcast Officer is :

patl(at)pitt.conmusic.su.oz.au
or
patl(at)extro.ucc.su.oz.au

The Society welcomes news items on any digital subjects from anywhere in the broadcast coverage area. We are looking forward to news from your areas to let other amateurs know what you are doing in the hobby. Hope to hear from you.

73s de Pat VK2JPA Broadcast Officer
--
Dave Horsfall (VK2KFU) | dave@esi.com.au | VK2KFU @ VK2DAA.NSW.AUS.OC | PGP 2.6
Opinions expressed are mine. | D8 15 71 F9 26 C8 63 40 5E 63 5C 65 FC A0 22 99